

Affairs Claims Backlog Reduction Act of 2007; H.R. 1444, To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to make interim benefit payments under certain remanded claims; and H.R. 1490, To provide for a presumption of service-connectedness for certain claims for benefits under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, 12:30 p.m., 334 Cannon.

April 18, full Committee, to mark up H.R. 1642, Homeless Veterans Housing at Sepulveda Ambulatory Care Center Promotion Act; followed by a hearing on H.R. 23, Belated Than You to the Merchant Mariners of World War II Act of 2007, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

April 18, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on access to VA Health Care: How Easy is it for Veterans? Addressing the Gaps, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

April 19, Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, hearing on State Approving Agencies, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

April 19, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Surgical Services at the W.G. (Bill)

Hefner VA Medical Center in Salisbury, North Carolina, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, April 19, Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures, hearing on Energy and Tax Policy, 2 p.m., B-318 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, April 17, executive, hearing on Personnel and Security, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

April 18, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence, Analysis and Counterintelligence, executive, hearing on All-Source Analysis, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

April 19, full Committee, executive, hearing on National Clandestine Service/Human Intelligence, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming, April 18, hearing entitled "Geopolitical Implications of Rising Oil Dependence and Global Warming," 9:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Tuesday, April 17

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 60 minutes), Senate will continue consideration of S. 372, Intelligence Authorization Act.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10:30 a.m., Tuesday, April 17

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Consideration of the following suspensions: (1) H.R. 886—Wild Sky Wilderness Act of 2007; (2) H. Res. 217—Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives concerning the 50th anniversary of Celilo Falls; (3) H.R. 609—To amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Central Texas Water Recycling and Reuse Project; (4) H.R. 786—To amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Los Angeles County Water Supply Augmentation Demonstration Project; (5) H.R. 309—To direct the Secretary of the Interior to establish a demonstration program to facilitate landscape restoration programs within certain units of the National Park System established by law to preserve and interpret resources

associated with American history; (6) H.R. 815—To provide for the conveyance of certain land in Clark County, Nevada, for use by the Nevada National Guard; (7) H.R. 865—To grant rights-of-way for electric transmission lines over certain Native allotments in the State of Alaska; (8) H.R. 1191—To authorize the National Park Service to pay for services rendered by sub-contractors under a General Services Administration Indefinite Deliver/Indefinite Quantity Contract issued for work to be completed at the Grand Canyon National Park; (9) H.R. 1677—Tax Payer Protection Act; (10) H. Res. 125—Expressing deep concern over the use of civilians as “human shields” in violation of international humanitarian law and the law of war during armed conflict, including Hezbollah’s tactic of embedding its forces among civilians to use them as human shields during the summer of 2006 conflict between Hezbollah and the State of Israel; (11) H. Res. 196—Supporting the goals and ideals of World Water Day; (12) H. Con. Res. 100—Condemning the recent violent actions of the Government of Zimbabwe against peaceful opposition party activists and members of civil society; (13) H.R. 1681—To amend the Congressional Charter of The American National Red Cross to modernize its governance structure, to enhance the ability of the board of governors of The American National Red Cross to support the critical mission of The American National Red Cross in the 21st century; (14) H. Res. 293—Supporting the goals and ideals highlighted through National Volunteer Week; and (15) H.R. 1515—To amend the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 to treat certain communities as metropolitan cities for purposes of the community development block grant program.

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